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The Microsoft trial has squandered taxpayers' dollars. It is high time for this trial, and the wasteful spending accompanying it, to be over. Competition should be in the marketplace not the courtroom.

Competition means creating better goods and offering superior services to consumers. With the reins off the high-tech industry, more entrepreneurs will be encouraged to create new and competitive products and technologies.

This whole mess is the result of the aggressive lobbying efforts of a few of Microsoft's competitors. Now that the federal government and nine states have finally reached a comprehensive agreement with Microsoft to address the reduced liability found in the Court of Appeals ruling. It's time to put this to rest.

This settlement is tough, but seems reasonable and fair to all parties involved. I agree this settlement is good for them, the industry and the American economy.

I support the Microsoft settlement.

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